



# Bridges2Honduras

*Thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf. Below is a list of our daily prayer requests.*

## **Sunday**

*Visitors that are attending our services*

## **Monday**

*That our plans and actions are guided directly by God and that He gets the glory in everything we do*

## **Tuesday**

*Our Spanish language proficiency*

## **Wednesday**

*Individual Bible studies with non-believers*

## **Thursday**

*Mid-week group Bible study in our home*

## **Friday**

*DESEO program and Youth group*

## **Saturday**

*CRESCO Program*

## Weekly Bible Studies

We remain confident in God's leading and direction as we continue our individual Bible studies with those we have been studying with for a while and all our new contacts as well. We truly feel humbled and blessed that God has allowed us the privilege of working along side Him in Honduras. We ask that you will join us in prayer for those who are studying with us weekly.

For those who have been studying for a while, please pray that that they will consider what they have been learning about Jesus and decide to give their lives fully to Him. These include: Tito, Irma S., Michael, Irma A., and Vilma.

For those who have just begun studying with us, please pray that they will be receptive to the good news of Jesus. These include Cesar, Hugo, and Victor.

We are scheduled to begin studying with a new couple next week. Please pray that their schedules will allow time for our studies and that they will be open to hearing from God's Word. Their names are Antonio and Elena.

Our Thursday evening group Bible study and Friday evening Youth Group continue to be well attended. Please pray for their continued growth and effectiveness.

## Endings and Beginnings

This month marks the end of our children's English classes, for the time being, at least. We began teaching English when we arrived here in February as a way to immediately get involved into the lives of those in our community. Through this effort, we have met both children and their parents. A few of our teenage students are active in our Friday night youth program. Now that we are meeting people in other ways, we decided that our time would be better spent working on those relationships rather than continuing with English classes. They certainly served their purpose and we are thankful for that.

Kris has recently joined a group of ladies that walk early in the morning every weekday. She leaves the house while it's still dark in order to meet them at the nearby park by 5:00. This has been quite an adjustment, but the connection made with these ladies makes the pain of early rising worth it! A couple of the women are teachers at the schools where DESEO teaches on Fridays, one woman helps run a family store, another bakes cakes for special occasions, and a couple of them currently attend our Thursday evening Bible study.



Enjoying the ride to Santa Rosa on the bus.

## Our New Normal

We have decided that we are transitioning into our "new normal", but we are not sure how "normal" it is. When we arrived, we talked of the benefits of making a schedule and set about planning our lives accordingly. To some extent it works, but really, one of the few things that is consistent in our lives is our need to be flexible!

For example, one evening after a particularly busy day, the three of us sat down to read a book together as a family as our "scheduled" activities for the day were complete. No sooner had we began reading, when we heard a knock at the door. A couple ladies that we have been studying with decided to pop by for a visit. Within moments of their sitting down, another woman and her teenage daughter also dropped by with fresh baked goodies in hand. So, the book was put up and the coffee was put on. It was great to enjoy treats and neighbors. What a blessing to be a part of this community.

This drop by visiting goes both ways. We make visits to various houses during the week and we are always welcomed in with eagerness. One day, while Kris was down the street visiting at a house, another couple stopped by there to drop something off. Kris invited this new couple to come to the house. The visiting quickly rolled into dinnertime. Thankfully a big pot of soup had been made earlier in the day and there was more than enough to go around!

We are thankful people feel comfortable and welcome to visit us at any time. We are thankful for having opportunities to be flexible. We are also thankful for big pots of soup that make being hospitable easier!

## Kaylee's Korner

I've finally finished school!! (Or at least my junior year.) Yay!

Anyways, life's been pretty good right now. I feel like we're really starting to settle down into a routine. Our Spanish is getting better, I feel like I can understand most things. Though I still have to ask some people to repeat themselves several times over. I'm also finally starting to make some baby friendships, which is really encouraging.

Every Thursday evening, during the mid-week bible study at our house, I've started taking the little kids into a back room (usually 6-9 year olds) and teach a bible story with a girl my age, named Angie. Thursday mornings and/or afternoons Angie comes over and we make cookies or some kind of snack for Thursday nights as well as for the Youth Group on Friday evenings. We also plan a lesson and craft that will go with the bible story for the kids that night. It's really fun, and we get to hang out and do also something productive at the same time.

On another note: the rainy season has begun. It's been raining a lot, and whenever it rains hard the streets flood. Just the other day we were driving in the rain and crossed a bridge. I couldn't help but think of the irony: the bridge had just as large of a river running on top of it as it did under it. With the rain, also come the creatures escaping the rain. This month we found a tarantula in my bedroom, another tarantula in the "*pila*" (an outdoor clothes-washing station), and a baby snake in the office. Life has been an adventure.

Our uninvited guests



We hosted a little "get-together" to celebrate Mother's Day. What started as a small gathering of 5 or 6 turned into 16! We weren't sure how we could feed everyone, but what happened next made us think of the widow's oil and flour in 1 Kings 17. As each plate was made and handed out, there continued to be enough left to make the next plate and the next!



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